

Nampa, ID Chapter GPAA Newsletter

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Presidential Nuggets

Hi, Everyone!

I hope that you all attend the March meeting on the 6th because we are going to have LOTS of fun! Each of us needs to bring a donated item to be auctioned off that evening -- it can be ALMOST ANYTHING!! Do you have a white elephant item in the closet?? Do you have extra gold mining equipment?? How about some yummy chocolate chip cookies fresh from your oven?? Bulbs for the gardeners among us?? How about offering to give someone a panning or dredging lesson?? Not only will we be raising money for the club (hopefully to buy another claim), but I am SURE that we each will have a ton of laughs during the evening because we have a super auctioneer lined out for this occasion! See you all on the 6th!

Karin Hunter
President

***Happy Birthday also to
George Washington and
Abraham Lincoln***

Happy Valentine's Day'

GPAA Meeting

Tuesday

6 March 2007

7pm

Snake River Elementary

See you there!

Bank Notes

#1001 Finders Keepers \$59.50
#2001 D. Unander \$28.00
#2002 E. Oakander \$123.59
#2003 Nampa Sch Dist \$30.00
16Jan07 w/f chg for cks \$102.29
18Jan07 w/f mo svc fee \$6.00
7 Feb 07 dep \$234.00

Financial info will be
posted at meeting

Welcome New Members

Gary Farmer,
Stephen Rilling,
Earl Ford, Dave Stewart,
Terry & Becky Thomas

Happy February

| Birthday |

JoAnn Steele, Bonnie
Abrams, Dean Knight,
Skeeter Eversburg, Kris
Lowies, Marlow Hagen, Rob
Forbes, Patricia Hagen,
Mishelle Singleton, Russell
Graw

We wish you the best of
good times and
excellentspecting for your
coming year

Looking for Equipment

Don Barnhill is looking for
hard rock mining equipment.
867-6863

Karin Hunter, ph 585-2190,
is hunting for a rock saw
and rock grinding wheels..

For Sale:

Randy Evans has buckets
for sale \$2 ea. 463-1899
Jim Schneider, ph 939-
5313, has a mini sluice for
sale \$20. He will also give
metal detecting classes for
\$25/hr.


Gas & Mechanical
PLUMBING & MECHANICAL SERVICES

Don Headrick
OWNER

4018 DAISY WAY
BOISE, ID 83708
208-562-9548 (CELL)
208-562-0436 (FAX)

Finders Keepers

Dealers for

**Tesoro Metal Detectors
Angus MacKirk Mining
Equipment**

**Desert Fox Automatic Gold
Panning Machine**

**Placer King Recirculating
Hi-Banker**

Gold Grabber II

**"Other Recreational Mining
Equipment Available"**

Sluice Boxes

Recovery Tools

Pans/Classifiers

Accessories

Ray Bixler

2101 Louisiana Dr.

Nampa, ID 83686

208-899-2921

*And to all who do not wish to
divulge their birthday –
A Very Merry Unbirthday!*

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Secretarial Pannings

Thank you to all who renewed their commitment to our club.

Please let me know if you want your contact information available for club members. It's getting closer to the time we can get into the hills and it's always safer to go with someone.

Our club is energized by all who step up to help. If you have a place or a suggestion where the club could go for an outing, or a guest speaker, or stories, or whatever - we're all here to learn and enjoy each other's companionship and the great outdoors.

Get ready for Dredging!!

Stop by the Idaho Department of Water Resources and get your application in for your dredge permit!

Resident fee is \$10.

Each person who operates the dredge nozzle or places material into the sluicing equipment needs to have a permit.

Nampa GPAA Club Officials

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Idaho Charter School Panning Demonstration

At the Idaho Charter School on Friday 9 February, three groups of 24 students each were captivated with Larry Steele's gold stories. After his historic tales, the children gathered around the panning tubs manned by Jim Jencks, Karin Hunter, Elaine Oakander, Bob Allen and Larry to watch and learn how to pan for gold. The teachers and several parents were as 'into it' as the children. Looks like we introduced more folks to the fun of gold panning! It was a good afternoon! Thanks to everyone for your help!

Outing at Gubbel Home Saturday 10 February

Dave, Paula and family provided their 3-car garage for everyone to set up their equipment. Lots of recircs, hibankers, blue bowls and gold pans were in use to go thru a multitude of buckets of dirt. Don't know how much gold was recovered, but it was an enjoyable afternoon for everyone there. Thank You Dave and family for your hospitality, providing munchies and bbqing some awesome hotdogs!

Officers Meeting Nampa Chapter GPAA Wed 7 Feb 2007

The meeting was held at the Oakander home with President Karin Hunter, Vice President Jim Jencks and Secretary/Treasurer Elaine Oakander in attendance. The club bank statement was verified and club checking account balanced. Check #2002 for \$123.59 was written to E. Oakander for reimbursement of printing, stamps, and supplies. Check #2003 was written to Snake River Elementary for our meeting on 6 March. Elaine will check with Nampa Parks and Recreation for our summer meetings on 5 June, 3 July, and 7 August. We are again looking to use the pavilion by the fireplace in Nampa's Lakeview Park on Garrity.

With Harold Hackworth as our auctioneer for our donated items at our next meeting, Elaine will keep track of the auction items, the winner, and monies collected.

Karin will contact BSU for a speaker to talk on Idaho's gold history for an upcoming meeting.

Karin and Jim will get together with Larry Steele to see about an outing in the Silver City area by Jordan Creek.

There are 4, perhaps 6, LDMA members in our club for a possible outing to Blue Bucket. Each LDMA member could take 4 guests each. This is something to look into. Elaine will check with the Nampa School District to see if we will be able to have the use of Snake River Elementary again in the fall. She will also check with NNU if they have a meeting room available for next year and how much it would cost.